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SUBJ: BAROODY RESOLUTION AND YAMANI'S PROPOSED MINI-
CONFERENCE

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1. DURING MY CALL ON MINPET YAMANI AUGUST 7 I TOLD HIM
USG WAS INTERESTED IN HIS PROPOSAL FOR MINI-CONFERENCE OF
PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS BUT SOUGHT HIS FURTHER VIEWS
(POINTS MENTIONED PARA 3 REFTEL).

2. YAMANI ANSWERED THAT BAROODY'S PROPOSAL WAS NOT A
GOOD ONE AND HAD PERHAPS MUDDIED THE WATERS. IT COULD
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EASILY, HOWEVER, BE AMENDED.

3. YAMANI SAID HIS ORIGINAL INTENTION WAS THAT A SELECTED GROUP OF PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS (TO INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE EUROPEAN NINE, JAPAN, THE US, ZAIRE, VENEZUELA, ALGERIA, SAUDI ARABIA, AND IRAN) MEET FOR A DISCUSSION OF THEIR COMMON ECONOMIC CONCERNS. THESE DISCUSSIONS WOULD BE AT MINISTERIAL LEVEL AND COULD COVER ALMOST ANY RELEVANT TOPIC INCLUDING ENERGY, TECHNICAL TRANSFERS, OIL PRICING, AND PRODUCTION LEVELS. BY THIS MEANS, PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS COULD PERHAPS ESTABLISH AGENDA FOR A RESPONSIBLE AND COHERENT DISCUSSION OF THESE QUESTIONS BY A LARGER UN BODY. YAMANI THOUGHT, HOWEVER, IT WOULD BE EVEN BETTER IF THE MINISTERIAL REPRESENTATIVES AT SUCH A MEETING COULD ALSO RESOLVE THE POINTS AT ISSUE. IF THEY COULD, THERE WOULD BE NOTHING TO REFERE TO THE UN.

4. COMMENT: WITH REGARD TO THE DEPARTMENT'S QUERY IN PARA 4 REFTEL, THE POSITIONS OF YAMANI AND THE SHAH APPEAR COMPREHENSIBLE IN TERMS OF THEIR RESPECTIVE PERSONAL AND NATIONAL INTERESTS. FOR THIS REASON, AND BECAUSE YAMANI SEEMS TO BE PERSONA NON GRATA WITH THE SHAH, WE WOULD GUESS THE SHAH'S AND YAMANI'S PROPOSALS REFLECT PARALLEL BUT NOT COORDINATED THINKING.
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